(*c*) whether the Vellalas come in that system as a separate community; and

(*d*) whether, owing to such non-inclusion, the Government are aware that some communities have failed to secure due representation?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) In the matter of recruitment of Judges and Munsiffs, regard is had to the interests and efficiency of the service. In making recruitments for Munsiffships from the bar, the High Court see that the several communities are properly represented whenever possible.

(*c*) The Vellalas come under "Other caste Hindus."

(*d*) No community has failed to secure due representation.

Establishment of a Munsiff's Court at Punalur.

114. **MR. S. SUBRAHMANYA KARAYALAR** (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to establish a Munsiff's Court at Punalur instead of opening an Additional Munsiff's Court at Kottarakara, as proposed?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The High Court are not at present for establishing a Munsiff's Court at Punalur and Government accept that view.

House-breaking in Shencotta Town.

115. **MR. S. SUBRAHMANYA KARAYALAR** (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): Are the Government aware of the fact that there were several cases of house-breaking in the Shencotta town during the closing months of 1100? Will they be pleased to enquire why none of them has been detected?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Five cases of burglary were reported at the Shencotta Police Station during the year 1100. Of these, one was detected, one was found to be false and three remain undetected.

Separate Magistrate and Munsiff for Shencotta Taluk.

116. **MR. S. SUBRAHMANYA KARAYALAR** (*Pattanapuram* cum *Shencotta*): In view of the fact that, when one officer exercises both magisterial and civil functions, there are chances of people suffering hardship, will the Government be pleased to appoint a separate Magistrate and a Munsiff for Shencotta taluk?

MR. K. NARAYANAN PANDALAY (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Government are not aware that any hardship is caused to the people by one and the same officer exercising both Civil and Criminal functions.

Recruitment of Munsiffs.

117. **MR. A. J. JOHN** (*Vaikam*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing by castes the number of Munsiffs recruited from (1) the High Court Bar; (2) the District Court Bar; and (3) the clerical staff, during the last five years?

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